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1. During the course of a number of talks with the British newspaperman,
[] Source learned the following:

- a. Karl HASS and Harry KMBIE would be repatriated on 11 October 1954 (Control Comment: This is only approximately correct because the two Germans are supposed to leave Italy on 15 October. Inasmuch as they do not desire to return to Germany because they have been compromised, they have requested a visa for Argentina where they hope to settle. The Italian Ministry of Interior will assist them in the realization of this desire.
- b. The Italian authorities, some time ago, became aware that at the Institute for Excise Taxes serious irregularities were being committed. After a brief investigation it was possible to determine that the Institute financed some sectors of the PCI with a large portion of its proceeds (Control Comment: [] gave Source this information before it became, in part, public knowledge). In this way the PCI, among other things [] pointed out), created

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through the city tax agents a circle of road blocks around every large Italian city.

- c. In speaking of the MONTESI case, [] said that it was his opinion that the police were preparing a clamorous counteraction.

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